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City of Rochester, NY
Lovely A. Warren, Mayor
Rochester City Council



LOCATIONS AND AMENITIES

-  Playground
-  Outdoor Courts
-  Indoor Pool
-  Outdoor Pool
-  Spray Park
-  Gym
-  Game Room
-  Teen Lounge
-  Fitness Center
-  Computer Lab
-  Meals
-  Community Meeting Space
-  Performance Space
-  VR Gaming Room



Department of Recreation and Human Services

Dr. Daniele Lyman-Torres,
Commissioner

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9 a.m. to 5 p.m., weekdays

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M - F, 2 - 9 p.m., Sat., 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.



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M - F, 2 - 9 p.m., Closed Sat.



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Edgerton: 41 Backus St. • 428-6769
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Trenton & Pamela Jackson: 485 N. Clinton Ave. 428-7476 • M - F, 2 - 9 p.m., Sat., 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.



Thomas P. Ryan: 530 Webster Ave. • 428-7828
M - F, 2 - 9 p.m., Sat., 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.



Tyshaun Cauldwell: 524 Campbell St. • 428 - 7860
M - F, 2 - 9 p.m., Closed Sat.



Chamber Teen Center: 57 St. Paul St., 2nd Floor
M - F, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.



MBK Engagement Center featuring a VR Gaming Room: (opening Oct. 2021)
57 St. Paul St., 1st Floor, M - F, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.



Did you know?

You can rent our facilities for private use – parties, birthdays, reunions and more! Find a spot that's perfect for you.

Edgerton Stardust Ballroom
41 Backus St.

\$445: four-hour increment
\$820: 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
240 max dinner style
400 max. theater style seating.

Genesee Valley Field House
1316 Genesee St. Extension
Genesee Valley Park

\$145: four-hour increment
\$195: 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
48 people max.

Lake Riley Lodge
100 Norris Dr., Cobbs Hill Park
\$270: four-hour increment
\$470: 9 a.m. - 9 p.m., Weekend rental only, 125 people max.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Park MLK Lodge, 353 Court St.
\$370: four-hour increment
\$670: 9 a.m. - 9 p.m., 170 seated max, 300 cocktail style max.

Norton Village, 300 Waring Rd.
\$120: four-hour increment
\$170: 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
50 people max.

Tay House at Cobbs Hill Park
85 Hillside Ave.
\$145: four-hour increment
\$195: 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
50 people max.

* Additional fees will apply for extended hours and holidays.

The Department of Recreation and Human Services also processes rentals of parks, baseball diamonds, athletic fields, tennis courts, indoor/outdoor basketball courts, ice skating rinks, pools and R-Center facilities.

Call 428-6755 or visit cityofrochester.gov/R-central/



Fall is here, and students are heading back to school. While we enjoy the changing leaves, we prepare for the winds of winter. Why not take this time of transition to make some positive changes in your own and your family's lives?

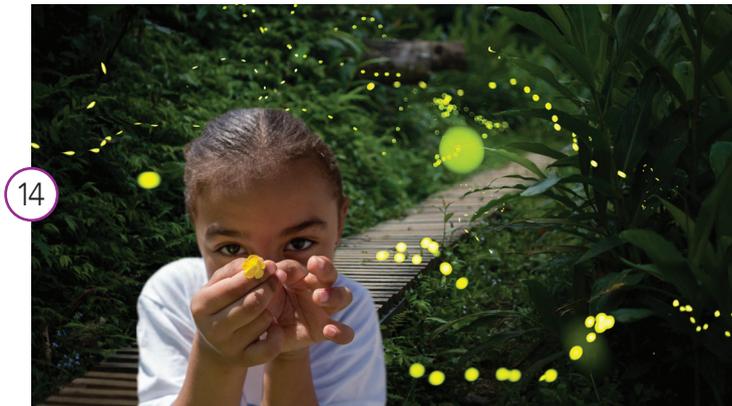
Make an effort to get fit, sign your kids up for outdoor adventures, to play music or join other families and seniors for fun events.

Important Dates

- Sep. 6:** Labor Day, R-Centers closed
- Sep. 8:** Schools & R-Centers open
- Oct. 2:** GVP Ice Rink re-opens after construction
- Oct. 11:** Indigenous Peoples' Day, R-Centers closed
- Nov. 11:** Veterans Day, R-Centers closed
- Nov. 25 - 26:** Thanksgiving, R-Centers closed
- Dec. 24:** Christmas Observed, R-Centers closed
- Dec. 28 - 30:** School Recess, R-Centers open
- Jan. 1:** New Year's Day Observed, R-Centers closed
- Jan. 17:** Martin Luther King Day, R-Centers closed
- Feb. 21:** Presidents' Day, R-Centers closed
- Feb. 21 - 25:** Biz Kid\$ Winter Camp
- Feb. 21 - 25:** Mid-Winter Recess, R-Centers open
- Apr. 15:** Good Friday, R-Centers closed
- Apr. 18 - 22:** Biz Kid\$ Spring Camp
- May 31:** Memorial Day, R-Centers closed
- Jun. 20:** Juneteenth Observed, R-Centers closed
- Jun. 23:** Last Day of School

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Youth Workforce Development

Biz Kid\$ Camp (Ages 10-18) provides youths an interactive, applied business and entrepreneurial education. This week-long camp lays the foundation of entrepreneurship and is offered four times a year during school breaks and summer. FREE for city of Rochester residents, \$60.00 for non-city residents.

57 St. Paul Street

Winter Camp: Feb 21 – 25 2022

9:30 – 4:30 p.m. Age: 15-18

Spring Camp: April 18 – 22, 2022

9:30 – 4:30 p.m. Age: 10-14

Na’Im Wilcox 585-428-7098

Naim.Wilcox@cityofrochester.gov



TAKE THE
FIRST STEP
TOWARD
A BRIGHT
FUTURE.

Take advantage of FREE Youth Employment Readiness Training.

High school students: get the skills needed to land a job with free, week-long employment readiness training. Trainings are open to currently enrolled students ages 14-20.

- Life Skills • Leadership Skills
- Personal Portfolio • Snacks/Prizes



**FIND THE PERFECT
SUMMER
JOB!**

Youth ages 14 - 20 are invited to apply for paid summer work experience. Online applications will be available Feb, 1 - Mar. 26, 2022

Applicants must have current work permit, Q1 or 2 report card, photo ID and Social Security card.

Please Note: Youth must be currently enrolled in middle school, high school or a TASC program.

This program is not for college students.

For more information call (585) 428-6366

Flower City AmeriCorps Needs YOU! This year-long, human-services apprenticeship is designed to prepare and inspire. Members will be provided with skills, information and experiences they need for success. Earn a living allowance, education award and serve the community! Full and part-time positions available. Fight poverty through community engagement and gain hands-on experience – a great resume builder! Be part of a team of like-minded people! Recruitment for the 2022-23 term begins September 6, 2021. Applications are due Friday, October 29, 2021.

Visit: cityofrochester.gov/ameriCorps/ or contact: Walida Monroe-Sims at 428-7358 • Walida.Monroe@CityofRochester.Gov.





Rochester Community Sports Complex • 460 Oak St., Rochester, NY • (585) 428-6841

RSPORTS Rochester Community Sports Complex offers a variety of sports clinics such as lacrosse, football, baseball, soccer, conditioning and much more!

The first indoor training center of its kind within Rochester city limits and serving Rochester youth is opening this Fall at the Maguire Indoor Training Facility at Rochester Community Sports Complex and will include:

- State of the art indoor sports training facility featuring both turf and court sports
- Split indoor turf training areas for football, baseball, lacrosse and soccer training
- Basketball training courts
- Modern training equipment
- Batting tunnel
- Running track



- New accessible restrooms
- Cardio room with state of the art equipment
- Weight room with state of the art equipment
- Visual Training Classroom

For more information or to rent the facility visit www.cityofrochester.gov/r-central/ or call 585-428-6841.



Don't Hate, Just Skate. The Roc City Skatepark is open daily from 7a.m. – 10 p.m. All skill levels are welcome. To learn more about the Roc City Skatepark, contact Director of Recreation & Parks Stewardship at Sara.Scott@cityofrochester.gov. Interested in joining the Friends of Roc City Skatepark? Contact roccitypark@gmail.com or visit: www.roccitypark.org.



Youth Development Programs

Youth Voice One Vision: The Mayor's Youth Advisory Council, (YVOV) (Co-ed ages 12 – 17)

Interested in making sure that youth voice is heard in Rochester? YVOV is a group of young people that represent the voice and issues of the youth in Rochester. Members work together to create opportunities, events and activities that inspire the community in a positive way. Call your local R-Center for more information.

Tues., 3 – 4 p.m.

- Frederick Douglass R-Center
- Willie W. Lightfoot R-Center

Tues., 5 – 6 p.m.

- Trenton & Pamela Jackson R-Center
- Carter R-Center

Thurs., 5 – 6 p.m.

- Thomas P. Ryan R-Center
- Ave. D R-Center

Thurs., 6 – 7 p.m.

Adams R-Center

Fri., 5 – 6 p.m.

- Edgerton R-Center
- Tyshaun Cauldwell R-Center

Sat., 11 – 12 p.m.

David F. Gantt R-Center



Girls Circle: The Girls Circle model, a structured support group for girls* and youth who identify with female development from 9 - 18 years, integrates relational theory, resiliency practices, and skills training in a specific format designed to increase positive connection, personal and collective strengths, and competence in girls. Number of participants 5-10 girls per R- Center. Call your local R-Center for more information.

Fri., 5 – 6 p.m.

- David F. Gantt R-Center
- Avenue D R-Center

Tues., 5 – 6 p.m.

Thomas P. Ryan R-Center

Tue., 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Adams R-Center

Boys Council The Council for Boys and Young Men is working toward a future where boys and young men develop healthy and diverse masculine identities which allow them to grow as respectful leaders and connected allies in their communities.

This group is for ages 9 – 18 years old. In the groups, boys and young men find belonging, build assets and deconstruct harmful masculinity beliefs on their journey to manhood.

Fri., 5 – 6 p.m.

- David F. Gantt R-Center
- Avenue D R-Center

Tues., 5 – 6 p.m.

- Thomas P. Ryan R-Center

Tue., 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Adams R-Center

SOAR (Sexuality, Outreach, Advocacy, Resources)

The SOAR youth leadership team hires youth ages 13 - 17 who work in efforts to reduce the rates of STI's and unplanned pregnancy in the City of Rochester. SOAR youth leaders build leadership skills, plan community events, receive training, advise adult committees, while advocating for youth rights and services.



Wed., 4 – 6 p.m.

57 St. Paul Street

Atashia Walker: 585-428-1291

RISE- (Reach Inside and Strive for Excellence)

RISE is a collaboration of community service agencies working together to reduce teen pregnancies and reduce STD/HIV rates among youth. Our team of educators offer several evidence-based curriculums that teach youth the skills they need to remain safe and make healthy decisions.

Mon. - Fri., 9 – 5 p.m.

57 St. Paul Street

Atashia Walker: 585-428-1291



SRAE - Vibe Club: Weekly R-Vibe clubs serve youth ages 10 - 13 by providing positive youth engagement and social emotional development through fun activities such as STEM, drama and media clubs.

Wed., 4 – 5:30 p.m.

David F. Gantt R-Center

Tue. & Thu., 3 – 4 p.m.

Adams R-Center

Shaylin Cox: 585-428-7913

Youth Development Programs

ROCmusic Collaborative (ages 6

– 18): Tuition-free instrumental music lessons, ensembles (orchestra, band, rhythm section and choir and elective classes (dance, drumming, studio production, conducting, garage bands and vocal lessons) in R-Centers across the city. Students receive intensive training in: violin, viola, cello, double bass, trumpet, trombone, bass guitar, keyboard/ piano, drum-set and DJ/MC Skills. Student concerts are held throughout the year. This is a great way to start or enrich current learning in your school programs. Visit: www.rocmusic.org



Mon. – Fri., 4 – 6 p.m. String and rhythm section instruments and electives
David F. Gantt R-Center

Tue., Thu., & Fri. 4 – 6 p.m. Beginning strings, drumming, dance and musicianship classes
Edgerton R-Center

Mon.- Fri., 3 – 5 p.m. Brass and Bomba Drumming
Frederick Douglass R-Center
Armand Hall 585-428-9944

Ladies Time (Girl group ages 8 – 17): Provides a social environment for young girls to express themselves and enjoy different activities.

Thurs., 5:30 – 7 p.m.
• Trenton & Pamela Jackson R-Center
Mickey Mendez 585-428-7476
• Carter R-Center
Mickey Mendez 585-428-7476

Culture Club (Co-ed, ages 13 – 17): Provides a safe place where teen can come and talk, socialize and do community events.

Fri., 6 – 7:30 p.m.
Trenton & Pamela Jackson R-Center
Mickey Mendez 585-428-7476

Boys to Men Group (Ages 10+): Boys and young men find belonging, build assets and express themselves and enjoy different activities.

Fri., 4 – 5 p.m.
• Frederick Douglass R-Center
• Willie W. Lightfoot R-Center

Fri., 4:30 – 6 p.m.
• Trenton & Pamela Jackson R-Center
• Carter R-Center

NWYMI (Northwest Young Men Initiative)

Boys ages 8 – 14: Aimed to empower young men, helping them overcome unhealthy attitudes, thoughts and behaviors in a uniquely structured and supportive environment that focuses on each student's strengths, and engages them to become productive and healthy individuals.

Thurs., 5 – 6 p.m.
• Edgerton R-Center
• Tyshaun Caldwell R-Center

Tina Langston 585-428-7860

GEMS (Girls Empowering Moving Self) (Ages 8-14 Girls): Designed to empower girls by providing them with an opportunity to gain self-confidence and enhance skills necessary to become effective and influential leaders in their community.

Thurs., 5 – 6 p.m.
• Edgerton R-Center
• Tyshaun Caldwell R-Center

Tina Langston 585-428-7860

Roc Kids Read (Co-ed, ages 5 – 8): Level A (for students entering kindergarten) and Level B (for students entering first and second grade) are full year, afterschool literacy enrichment programs for students in kindergarten through grade 3. The research-based, standards-aligned curriculum provides systematic and explicit instruction to students that are lagging behind their peers in critical reading skills.

Mon. – Thu., 3 – 5 p.m.
• Willie W. Lightfoot R-Center
• Thomas P. Ryan R-Center

Cynthia Rochet 585-428-1170

Pre-K Plus: Preschool aged youth and their families can take part in a variety of art and literacy activities that help in the development of sensory and motor skills. Parents who engage in other activities at the center will be provided 2 hours of childcare. Parent must remain on-site for the duration of childcare

Tue. & Thu., 5:30 – 7 p.m.
Trenton & Pamela Jackson R-Center

Cynthia Rochet 585-428-1170

Adult Sports Programs



Ladies Night Basketball (Ages 18+): Open basketball strictly for the ladies. No men allowed in the gym at this time, just ladies.

Wed., 6 – 8 p.m., David F. Gantt R-Center Gym
George Warren 585-428-7149

Ladies Self Defense (Ages 16+): Introduction to basic self-defense skills.

Thu., 6 – 7:30 p.m. (starting 9/7/2021)
David F. Gantt R-Center Community Room
George Warren 585-428-7149

Adult Open Ball (Ages 18+): Open full court basketball runs for adults.

Sat., 11 a.m. – 2 p.m., David F. Gantt R-Center Gym
George Warren 585-428-7149

Ladies Double Dutch (Ages 18+): Double Dutch Cardio Class.

Mon. & Wed. (Starting 10/4/2021)
David F. Gantt R-Center Gym
George Warren 585-428-7149

Women Basketball: Open basketball for ladies.

Fri., 6 – 8 p.m., Carter R-Center
Mickey Mendez 585-428-7447

Rugby: Wheelchair accessible sport

Mon., 6 – 8 p.m., Carter R-Center
Mickey Mendez 585-428-7447

Yoga w/ Good Hood:

Mon., Wed., Thu., Fri., 6 – 8 p.m.
Sat., 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.
Trenton & Pamela Jackson R-Center
Mickey Mendez 585-428-7447

Adult Soccer League:

Mon-Thu., 5:30 – 8 p.m.
Trenton & Pamela Jackson R-Center
Mickey Mendez 585-428-7447

Adult Open Ball, (Ages 18+): Open full court basketball runs for adults

Wed., 6 – 8:30 p.m., Avenue D R-Center
George Warren 585-428-7149

Women's Open Basketball: Open basketball for ladies. No men allowed in the gym at this time.

Sep. – Dec. Thu., 6 – 8 p.m.
Thomas P. Ryan R-Center
Andy Rose 585-428-7828

Adult Open Basketball (Ages 18+): Open full court basketball runs for adults.

Mon. & Wed., 6 – 8:30 p.m.
Thomas P. Ryan R-Center
Andy Rose 585-428-7828

RocSports Adult Basketball League (Age 18+):

5 on 5 Team fee \$600, Free agents \$75

Jan. – Apr., Tue. & Thu., 6 – 9 p.m.
Thomas P. Ryan R-Center
585-455-7827 • Rocsportsny@yahoo.com

Adult Women's Volleyball (Ages 18+):

Mon., 6 – 9:30 p.m., Frederick Douglass R-Center
Carmen Jones 585-428-7248

Adult Open Basketball (Co-ed, ages 17+):

Sat., 12 – 3 p.m.
Willie W. Lightfoot R-Center
Carmen Jones 585-428-7248



Roc Paint Division: Are you a city of Rochester high school student between the ages of 16 -19 interested in drawing, sketching or painting? Do you want to learn more about public art and how it can improve our community? If so, you may qualify to join the 2022 Roc Paint Division team! Check us out at rocpaintdivision.wordpress.com/. The 2022 Roc Paint application deadline is Friday, November 5. The program will run from Jan. 10 – June 31, 2022. Visit: rocpaint@cityofrochester.gov.

The Play Streets Roc program aims to reintroduce neighborhood-based play throughout the City of Rochester by building community capacity and the sustainability of current playability efforts. The program provides interested community members with free trainings, materials, technical assistance and communications support to host a play event in their neighborhood. For more information about how to host a Play Streets Roc event in your neighborhood contact: Jasmine.Chastine@cityofrochester.gov.



The City of Rochester's
RECREATION
on the Move Van
 is rolling into your neighborhood!
cityofrochester.gov/reonthemove

Fall 2021:

- Sept. 6 - 10: Norton Village Park & JP Riley Park
- Sept. 13 - 17: Grand Avenue Park & Troup Street Park
- Sept. 20 - 24: First Street Park & Jones Square Park
- Sept. 27 - Oct. 1: Pulaski Park & West High Field

Spring 2022:

- May 2 - 6: First Street Park & Troup Street Park
- May 9 - 13: Don Samuel Torres Park & Jones Square Park
- May 16 - 20: Pulaski Park & Jefferson Terrace Park
- May 23 - 27: Grand Avenue Park & West High Field
- May 30 - June 3: Norton Village & JP Riley Park
- June 6 - 10: First Street Park & Troup Street Park
- June 13 - 17: 4th & Peck Park & Tacoma Park
- June 20 - 24: Grand Avenue Park & West High Field

Youth Sports Programs

Kiddi Basketball League (Ages 5 – 10):

Introduction to basketball skills in a non-competitive environment.

Tue. – Thu. 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. Classes start 10/4/2021

David F. Gantt R-Center Gym

George Warren 585-428-7149

Basketball Skill Building (Co-ed, ages 9+): This program will teach youth how to improve their basketball shooting and other areas of basketball.

Mon., Wed., & Fri.

Carter R-Center

Migdalia Mendez 585-428-7447

Sports Conditioning (Ages 13 – 18): Off season sports specific workouts and nutrition instruction

Mon. & Wed., 4 – 6 p.m. Start date 10/4/2021

David F. Gantt R-Center gym/fitness center

George Warren 585-428-7149

Basketball Skill Building (Ages 11 – 18): This program teaches participants basketball skills as well as the rules and strategies related to the game.

Mon. & Wed. 5 – 6:30 p.m. Start date 10/4/2021

Avenue D R-Center gym

George Warren 585-428-7149

Youth Group Games (Ages 5 – 12): Youth will participate in a variety of fun active group activities

Mon. – Thu.

Avenue D R-Center gym

George Warren 585-428-7149

Athletic Training + (Co-ed 11-16): Athletic Training + is designed to help youth reach the top of their fitness game with 45 min training session for athletes with a mix of cardio, flexibility and conditioning.

Mon. – Thu., 6 – 7 p.m.

Tyshaun Cauldwell R-Center

Tina Langston 585-428-7860

Adult Open Ball (Ages 18+): Open full court basketball runs for adults.

Mon., 6 – 8:30 p.m.

Trenton & Pamela Jackson R-Center

Mickey Mendez 585-428-7447

Girls ROC Athletics (Ages 7 – 12): Did you know girls who play sports do better in school. Learn teamwork and goal setting skills. Benefit from hidden health advantages. Have more self-confidence and less anxiety? Girls ROC Athletics will focus on fitness, team work, fundamentals of different sports and having fun.

Wed., 3:30 – 5 p.m.

Thomas P. Ryan R-Center

Andy Rose 585-428-7828

Roc Jump Club (Co-ed, ages 8 – 17): Jump into the movement and join the Roc Jumpers Double Dutch Club. Twirling, jumping and tricks, be a part of the Double Dutch world.

Thu., 5 – 6 p.m.

Edgerton R-Center

Tina Langston 585-428-7860

Youth Group Games (Co-Ed, ages 5 – 12): Youth will participate in a variety of fun active group activities.

Mon., Tue., & Thu., 3 - 4:30 p.m.

Thomas P. Ryan R-Center

Andy Rose 585-428-7828

Youth Open Basketball: This is an opportunity for the youth to come out and play basketball.

Mon. – Fri., 4 – 6 p.m.

Adams R-Center

Mike Georgetti 585-428-7266

Group Games: Youth will participate in a variety of fun group activities.

Mon., Wed., & Fri., 3 – 4 p.m.

Adams R-Center

Mike Georgetti 585-428-7266

Basketball Skill Building (Co-ed, ages 9+): This program will teach youth how to improve their basketball shooting and skills.

Tue. & Thu., 5 – 6 p.m.

• Willie W. Lightfoot R-Center

• Frederick Douglass R-Center

Carmen Jones 585-428-7248



Ice Skating

Outdoor Ice Skating: This outdoor rink in the heart of downtown is home to the popular Roc Holiday Village and other events.

Nov. 20 – Mar. 13, 12 – 8:50 p.m.
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Ice Skating Rink

Anthony Calderon 585-428-7541
Anthony.Calderon@cityofrochester.gov
Mike.Corey@cityofrochester.gov

Indoor Ice Skating: Recreational skating for all ages, including youth hockey, adult hockey, speed skating and much more.

Oct. 2 – Apr. 10, 2022, times vary
Genesee Valley Ice Rink at Genesee Valley Sports Complex

585-428-7888
Mike.Corey@cityofrochester.gov

Youth Sports Programs

Lit 2 B Fit (Co-ed, ages 12+)

Mon., 2 – 2:30 p.m.
Frederick Douglass R-Center
Carmen Jones 585-428-7248

Youth Group Games (Ages 5 – 12): Youth will participate in a variety of fun group activities.

Mon. & Fri., 4 – 5 p.m.
Frederick Douglass R-Center
Carmen Jones 585-428-7248

Flag Football (Co-ed, ages 8+)

Wed., 4 – 5 p.m.
Willie W. Lightfoot R-Center
Carmen Jones 585-428-7248
Frederick Douglass R-Center
Carmen Jones 585-428-7248



The City of Rochester R-Super Camps has a diverse group of friends, caring staff, affordable prices and convenient locations. Enrollment begins March 14, 2022

Aquatic Programs: **Trenton & Pamela Jackson R-Center Pool**

Open Family Swim: All ages (5 and under must be accompanied by an adult).

Mon.- Thu., 3 – 5 p.m. & 6 – 8 p.m.

Fri., 3 – 6 p.m., Sat., 12 – 3 p.m.

Sep. 20, 2021 - Jun. 10, 2022

RCSD Recess Weeks Hours

Mon. – Fri., 11 – 5 p.m., Sat., 10 – 3 p.m.

Brittany Frank 585-428-6908

Brittany.Frank@cityofrochester.gov

Adult Lap Swim 18+: No lap swim during RCSD recess weeks.

Mon. – Thu., 5 – 6 p.m. Sep. 20, 2021 – Jun. 9, 2022

Brittany Frank 585-428-6908

Brittany.Frank@cityofrochester.gov

Senior Swim 55+: NO Senior swim during RCSD recess weeks.

Mon., Wed., & Fri., 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Sep. 20, 2021 – Jun. 10, 2022

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Baby and Me Swim Lessons: Infants, (6 weeks – 5 yrs old.): One parent or guardian introduces the child to the water and how to work with their child safely, including basic body positions and holding techniques to promote water comfort. Swim diapers must be worn. Lessons are 30 minutes, unless noted. When registering online you only need to register the adult not the baby.

Wed., 6:30 – 7 p.m.

Fall Session: Oct. 13 – Nov. 17, 2021

Winter Session: Dec. 1, 2021 – Jan. 12, 2022

No Class 12/29/21

Spring Session: Feb. 2 – Mar. 16, 2022

No Class 2/23/22

Sat., 9:45-10:15 a.m.

Fall Session: Oct. 2 – Nov. 6, 2021

Winter Session: Dec. 4 – Jan. 22, 2022

No classes Dec. 25 & Jan. 1

Spring Session: Feb. 5 – Mar. 19, 2022

No class Feb. 26

Mike Corey 585-428-7564

Mike.Corey@cityofrochester.gov

Adult Swim Lesson (6 weeks, ages 18+): Cost \$24

The Red Cross offers an innovative, learn-at-your-own-pace, learn-to-swim program. Developed for older teens and adults, our program gives swimmers at every level the opportunity to improve their skills in a safe environment with a trained instructor.

Wed., 7:15 – 8 p.m.

Fall Session: Oct. 13 – Nov. 17, 2021

Winter Session: Dec. 1, 2021 – Jan. 12, 2022

No class 12/29/21

Spring Session: Feb. 2 – Mar 16, 2022

No Class 2/23/22

Mike Corey 585-428-7564

Mike.Corey@cityofrochester.gov

Learn to Swim Program (6 weeks, ages 6 – 17): Designed by American Red Cross for swim instruction between level 1 and level 6.

Fri., 6 - 7:30 p.m. Times vary by level

Fall Session: Oct. 1 – Nov. 19, 2021

Winter Session: Dec. 3 – Feb. 4, 2022

No classes Dec. 24 & 31

Spring Session: Feb. 11 – Apr 8

No class Feb 25

Sat., 10:15 - 11:45 a.m. Times vary by level

Fall Session: Oct. 2 – Nov. 20, 2021

Winter Session: Dec. 4 – Feb. 5, 2022

No classes Dec 25 & Jan 1

Spring Session: Feb. 12 – Apr. 9, 2022

No Class Feb 26

Mike Corey 585- 428-7564

Mike.Corey@cityofrochester.gov



Aquatic Programs: **Adams Street R-Center Pool**



Open Family Swim: All ages (5 and under must be accompanied by an adult)

Mon. – Thu., 3:30 – 6:15 p.m.
 Fri., 3:30 – 5 p.m., Sat., 12 – 3 p.m.
 Sep. 20, 2021 – Jun. 10, 2022

RCSD Recess Weeks Hours
 Mon. – Fri., 11 – 5 p.m., Sat. 10 – 3 p.m.

Brittany Bowman 585-428-7456
 Brittany.Bowman@cityofrochester.gov

Adult Lap Swim 18+: No lap swim during RCSD recess weeks

Mon. – Thu., 5 - 6:15 p.m. Sep. 20, 2021 – Jun. 9, 2022

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 Brittany.Bowman@cityofrochester.gov

Baby and Me Swim Lessons: Infants, (6 weeks-5 yrs old.) One parent or guardian introduces the child to the water and how to work with their child safely, including basic body positions and holding techniques to promote water comfort. Swim diapers must be worn. Lessons are 30 minutes long, unless otherwise noted. When registering online you only need to register the adult not the baby.

Wed., 6:30 – 7 p.m.
 Fall Session: Oct. 13 – Nov. 17, 2021

Winter Session: Dec. 1, 2021 – Jan. 12, 2022
 No Class 12/29/21

Spring Session: Mar 2 – Mar 16, 2022
 No Class 2/23/22

Sat., 9:45 – 10:15 a.m.
 Fall Session: Oct. 2 – Nov. 6, 2021

Winter Session: Dec. 4 – Jan. 22, 2022
 No Classes Dec. 25 & Jan. 1

Spring Session: Feb. 5 – Mar. 19, 2022
 No Class Feb. 26

Mike Corey 585-428-7564
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Adult Swim Lesson (6 weeks, ages 18+): Cost \$24
 The Red Cross offers an innovative, learn-at-your-own-pace, learn-to-swim program. Developed for older teens and adults, our program gives swimmers at every level the opportunity to improve their skills in a safe environment with a trained instructor.

Wed., 7:15 – 8 p.m.
 Fall Session: Oct. 13 – Nov. 17, 2021

Winter Session: Dec. 1, 2021 – Jan. 12, 2022
 No Class 12/29/21

Spring Session: Feb. 2 – Mar. 16
 No Class 2/23/22

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Learn to Swim Program (6 weeks, ages 6 - 17): Designed by American Red Cross for swim instruction between level 1 and level 6.

Fri., 5 - 6:30 p.m. Times vary by level
 Fall Session: Oct. 1 – Nov. 19, 2021

Winter Session: Dec. 3 – Feb. 4, 2022
 No Classes Dec 24 & 31

Spring Session: Feb. 11 – Apr. 8
 No Class Feb. 25

Sat., 10:15 – 11:45 a.m. Times vary by level
 Fall Session: Oct. 2 – Nov. 20, 2021

Winter Session: Dec. 4 – Feb. 5, 2022
 No Classes Dec. 25 & Jan 1

Spring Session: Feb. 12 – Apr. 9, 2022
 No Class Feb 26

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Rochester Rapids Competitive Swim Team (ages 6 - 18): Team Operates at the Adams R-Center St R-Center Pool. NO Sessions during RCSD Recess Weeks.

Sep. 20 - Jun. 10, 2022
 Mon., Tue., Thu., & Fri., 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

585-461-0011
 Djdelehanty@yahoo.com



Nature Activities

Green Thumbs (Co-ed, ages 8-13): Gardening happens all seasons. Youth can plant individual mason jars and herb gardens. Youth cultivate their green thumb and gardening skills with crafts, education and hands on experience.

Mon., 4 – 5 p.m.

- Tyshaun Cauldwell R-Center
- Edgerton R-Center

Tina Langston 585-428-7860

Tue., 4 – 5 p.m.

Thomas P. Ryan R-Center

Andy Rose 585-428-7828

Indoor Gardening: Herb gardening, youth participants will cultivate their green thumb and gardening skills inside.

Oct. – May

Trenton & Pamela Jackson R-Center

Mickey Mendez 585-428-7447

Earth Explorers (Co-ed, ages 6-13) is a year-round environmental education program that provides opportunities to learn and engage with the natural world through hands on activities and STEAM experiments in the classroom, growing food in R-Center gardens, field trips to City parks and natural areas and more!

Begins Sept. 6 through June 17 as follows:

Mon., 4 – 4:45 p.m.

Frederick Douglass R-Center

Mon., 5:15 – 6 p.m., Adams R-Center

Tues. 4 – 4:45 p.m., Trenton & Pamela R-Center

Tues., 5:15 – 6 p.m., Carter R-Center

Wed. 4 – 4:45 p.m., Thomas P. Ryan R-Center

Wed., 5:15 – 6 p.m., David F. Gantt R-Center

Stephanie Benway, 585-428-7380

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Plant2Plate (Co-ed, ages 9-16): Help youth embody health-conscious living through the direct connection between what they eat and how it affects their health. Field trips to local farms, gardens and restaurants. Learn to identify ingredients, flavor profiles, how to prepare delicious meals and skills which empower them to heal from the inside out.

Wed. 3 – 4 p.m.

Willie Lightfoot R-Center

Thurs. 3 – 4 p.m.

Trenton & Pamela R-Center

Jasmine Chastine 585-428-6274

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Park Clean-ups (Co-ed, all ages): The City of Rochester is partnering with the Seneca Park Zoo Society to sponsor a series of 'park clean-up events' along the Genesee Riverway Trail. Tools and gloves will be provided. Please dress for the weather and bring water to stay hydrated.

Sat., Sept. 25, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Durand Beach Lot A, 1342 Lake Shore Blvd.

Sat., Oct. 30, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Maplewood Park, Driving Park and Lake Ave.

Sat., Apr. 23, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Maplewood Nature Center, 107 Bridgeview Dr.

Sat. May 21, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Durand Beach Lot A, 1342 Lake Shore Blvd.

Sat. June 18, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Maplewood Park, Driving Park and Lake Ave.

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Roc City Sailing Program (Co-ed, ages 7-18):

Launching in Spring 2022, The City of Rochester is excited to partner with ROC City Sailing (RCS) to provide sailing classes to city youth through the City's Earth Explorers program. Our week-long sailing program will teach kids to be confident beginner sailors! Graduates can continue on with us by joining our Sailing 2.0 extension program.

Spring – Summer 2022

Rochester Canoe Club, 2050 Bay Shore Blvd.

Stephanie Benway 585-428-7380

stephanie.benway@cityofrochester.gov



Nature Activities

Roc The Riverway Weekend: The Genesee River is the lifeblood of Rochester. From the abundant farms of the Genesee Valley to the industrial heritage of the City, the river has defined who we are and how our community developed. In 2018 the City along with the State of New York, launched an ambitious \$500M initiative to release the full potential of our river. They will transform this former industrial waterway into a community recreational corridor that provides opportunities for all to interact with the water. Celebrate this transformation with us!

Oct. 2 – 3; 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Stephanie Benway 585-428-7380
stephanie.benway@cityofrochester.gov

Flower City Feeling Good Series: For nearly three decades, this series has connected city residents with the beauty of the Rochester's natural environment and provides opportunities to get out, get active and get excited with weekly bike rides & guided walks, community paddles, garden workshops, park stewardship events and more. Visit cityofrochester.gov/FCFG/

Jun. 1 – Sept. 30, 2022

Stephanie Benway 585-428-7380
stephanie.benway@cityofrochester.gov

Maplewood Rose Garden – Garden Days:

Features free community activities, hikes, garden tours, bike rides and workshops that highlight the fantastic history, architecture and natural features of the Frederick Law Olmsted designed Maplewood Park and the Maplewood Rose Garden.

May 15 – Oct. 16, 2022
Maplewood Rose Garden

cityofrochester.gov/maplewoodrosefest

Explore Your Park Challenge: This nature passport will help you explore the nature all around you. Pick up your booklet at a local R-Center or library. When you finish all of the activities return it to your local R-Center, public library or email a copy of your completed booklet to Stephanie.Benway@cityofrochester.gov. Everyone that completes the Challenge will receive a T-shirt!

Year Round

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ROCHESTER

Children's Outdoor Bill of Rights



The Rochester Children's Outdoor Bill of Rights establishes that every child in Rochester shall have the opportunity to:

Learn to Take Care of Our Planet

Learn to Swim

Play in Clean Rivers and Lakes

Grow and Harvest Food to Eat

Explore Nature in Neighborhoods

Listen to the Sounds of Nature

Observe a Starry Sky

Go Camping

Follow a Hiking Trail

Play in the Snow

Learn to Ride a Bike

Discover Wildlife

Rochester Children's Outdoor Bill of Rights

(COBOR) is a community informed list of outdoor experiences all children should have the right to engage in during their childhood. Experiences in nature at a young age are crucial for healthy development and help children appreciate and care for Rochester's wealth of natural resources. COBOR will help identify and break down barriers to nature that run along economic and racial lines, and provide Rochester's youth with equitable access to nature. The Department of Recreation & Human Services provides an abundance of opportunities for youth and families to activate the COBOR. To learn more, visit cityofrochester.gov/drhs/



NATURE ACTIVITIES



Community Classes

Ibero Senior Program: A program targeting seniors over age 60. Program participants engage in fitness, dance, arts and crafts, games, book discussions, birthdays and holiday celebrations and much more in a supportive environment.

Mon. – Fri., 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Trenton & Pamela Jackson R-Center

Mickey Mendez 585-428-7447

Boxing Program: Participants will learn the fundamentals of boxing with boxing great Charles Murray!

Mon. – Fri., 3 – 6 p.m.
Trenton & Pamela Jackson R-Center

Mickey Mendez 585-428-7447

College prep classes Help filling out paperwork for FAFSA for school.

Thu., 6 p.m., Carter R-Center

Mickey Mendez 585-428-7447

Mindful Soul Yoga and Meditation (Ages 11-17 & 18+): Open space for yoga and meditation time. Find freedom in the body, heart and mind with soothing and soulful R&B instrumentals.

Tue., 6 – 7 p.m. Tue., 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.
Edgerton R-Center

Tina Langston 585-428-6769

Paint & Bake (Co-ed ages 15+): 10 participants per session. Ceramic's Vases, cups, plates, frames and more. Come join us for a session of relaxation, painting and socializing. You paint it, we bake it!

Thu., 7 – 8 p.m., Edgerton R-Center

Tina Langston 585-428-6769

Adult Line Dancing w/ Ms. Jackie (Co-ed): Get fit while learning the One-Two step.

Thu., 6 – 8 p.m., Frederick Douglass R-Center

Carmen Jones 585-428-6015

Adult Activities Programs

Line Dancing (Co-ed, ages 18+): A great way to get your cardio aerobics activity, stay in shape and fellowship through line dancing with Ms. Jackie Brown.

Sat., 11 – 1 p.m., Thomas P. Ryan R-Center

Andy Rose 585-428-7828

Adult Open Basketball (Ages 18+): Open full court basketball runs for adults.

Mon., & Wed., 6 - 8:30 p.m.

Thomas P. Ryan R-Center

Andy Rose 585-428-7828

Cobbs Hill Fitness Court: This comprehensive outdoor circuit training system supports 28 simultaneous pieces of equipment. Can be permitted for exclusive use daily.

Cobbs Hill Park near basketball courts

Leslie Green 585-428-6755

Leslie.Green@cityofrochester.gov

Adult Open Basketball Shoot Around: For adults 18 and older. Pickup games and free play.

Mon. & Tue., 7 – 9 p.m., Adams R-Center

Mike Georgetti 585-428-7266

Fitness Center: Open weight room usage.

Mon. – Fri., 5 – 9 p.m., Sat., 10:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Adams St. R-Center 585-428-7266

Nutrition with Buck: Enjoy learning about a healthy lifestyle through the art of cooking.

Sat., 11 a.m. – 12 p.m., Willie W. Lightfoot R-Center

Tim Levert 585-428-7001

Education Enrichment Programs

Roblox Computer Game Tournament

Fri., 7 – 9 p.m., Carter R-Center

Mickey Mendez 585-428-7447

Coding 4 kids: Youth will learn how to program robots with coding on computers.

Tue., 5 – 6 p.m.

Trenton & Pamela Jackson R-Center

Mickey Mendez 585-428-7447

Home EC at the Rec: Teaches youth skills needed for everyday life including: cooking, ironing, budgeting, grocery shopping and more. Program starts 10/4/2021.

Wed., 4 – 6 p.m.

Carter R-Center

Mickey Mendez 585-428-7447

Wed., 4 – 5:30 p.m.

- David F. Gantt R-Center

- Ave D. R-Center

George Warren 585-428-7149

Cocinando Con Sazon: Teaches youth cooking skills needed for everyday life.

Wed., 4 – 6 p.m.

Trenton & Pamela Jackson R-Center

Mickey Mendez 585-428-7447

Edible Education - Culinary Beginning (Co-ed, ages 11-17): We provide exciting food preparation, valuable culinary skills and new recipes. Enjoy a fun hands-on activity and kids are inspired to expand their taste buds to discover that “real food” can be good.

Wed., 6 – 7:30 p.m.

- Tyshaun Cauldwell R-Center

- Edgerton R-Center

Tina Langston 585-428-7860

Book Buddies (Co-ed, ages 6-12): Practice your reading skills and play literacy games with your favorite R-Center staff!

Mon. – Thu., 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.

- Edgerton R-Center

- Tyshaun Cauldwell R-Center

Tina Langston 585-428-6769

Homework Help: for R-Center participants.

Mon. – Thur., 2 – 3 p.m.

Adams R-Center

Mike Georgetti 585-428-7266

Mon. – Thu., 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Thomas P. Ryan R-Center

Andy Rose 585-428-7828

Mon. – Fri., 2:30 – 4 p.m.

- Carter R-Center

- Trenton & Pamela Jackson R-Center

Mickey Mendez 585-428-7447

Robotics: Team program for youth to compete in challenges and develop critical thinking.

Wed. & Fri., 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Adams R-Center

Mike Georgetti 585-428-7266

Roc Kids Read: Level A (for students entering kindergarten) and Level B (for students entering first and second grade) are full year, afterschool literacy enrichment programs for students in kindergarten through grade 3. The research-based, standards-aligned curriculum provides systematic and explicit instruction to students that are lagging behind their peers in critical reading skills.

Mon. – Thu., 3 – 5 p.m.

Thomas P. Ryan R-Center

Cynthia Rochet 585-428-1170

Puzzles 4 FUN! Enjoy the fun of doing word searches, crossword puzzles and mazes.

Mon. – Fri., 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

Frederick Douglass R-Center

Rayvon Higdon 585-428-6015

Financial Literacy: Learn how to budget your finances in an interactive way to better prepare for your future.

Fri., 5 – 6 p.m.

Frederick Douglass R-Center

Carmen Jones 585-428-6015

Theatre, Visual and Fine Arts



Exploring Art: Arts and crafts program that allows kids to explore their creative side.

Mon. – Wed., 6 – 7 p.m.
Carter R-Center

Tue. & Thu.
Trenton & Pamela Jackson R-Center
Mickey Mendez 585-428-7447

Urban Arts (Ages 8-18): An art-based program that explores cultural and urban art forms including graffiti, tattoo design, air brushing and more.

Fri., 4 – 5:30 p.m.
Avenue D R-Center

George Warren 585-428-7148

Snow Painting: Arts and crafts program that allows kids to explore their creative side outside with snow.

Jan. – Feb., weather permitting
• Carter R-Center
• Trenton & Pamela Jackson R-Center
Mickey Mendez 428-7447

Crafts and Things (Co-ed, ages 7 – 10 & 11 – 13): Let's do some crafts and thigs! In our youth sessions we be painting, crayon art, watercolors, popsicle stick art and many other things.

Youth session (Ages 7-10)
Mon., 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Youth session (Ages 11-13)
Tue., 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

• Edgerton R-Center
• Tyshaun Caldwell R-Center
Tina Langston 585-428-6769

Crafts and Creations: (Co-Ed, ages 6-10 & 11-13): allows kids to participate in traditional arts & craft mixed with some fresh new modern twists.

Mon. & Wed., 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.
Thomas P. Ryan R-Center
Andy Rose 585-428-7828

Getting Crafty: Come learn some fun and exciting arts and crafts projects.

Tue. & Thu., 3 – 4 p.m.
Adams R-Center
Mike Georgetti 585-428-7266

Whose World Is This Podcast: Kids will create content and build their own podcast that will focus on topics that are prevalent in their everyday lives.

Thu., 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.
Thomas P. Ryan R-Center
Andy Rose 585-428-7828

Step Team: Want to learn how to STEP and be part of a team? Then come learn with us.

Tue. & Thu., 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
Adams R-Center
Mike Georgetti 585-428-7266

Captured Crafts: A fun and engaging scrapbooking class to capture the most creative art on paper.

Wed., 4 – 5 p.m.
• Willie W. Lightfoot R-Center
• Frederick Douglass R-Center
Carmen Jones 585-428-7001



Family Activities

Community Harvest Dinner: Community dinner and celebration of our youth.

Nov. 19, 6 – 8 p.m.

- David F. Gantt R-Center
- Avenue D R-Center

George Warren 585-428-7149

Trunk or Treat (Co-ed, ages 5-12): Youth will enjoy games, candy giveaway, music and other activities to celebrate the season. Costume contest will be held during the event.

Oct. 29, 6 – 8 p.m. David F. Gantt R-Center

George Warren 585-428-7149

Holiday Giveback: Families will receive snacks and goodie bags as they enjoy holiday music and movies. All children under the age of 13 will receive a gift (pre-registration will be required for gifts.)

Dec. 10, 6 – 8 p.m., Avenue D R-Center

Dec. 11, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., David F. Gantt R-Center

George Warren 585-428-7149

Trunk or Treat (Co-ed, ages 5-12): Candy given away in a safe environment. Games, costume contests to celebrate Halloween in a fun way. In collaboration with the Rochester Rams, Sully Library, #33 School & WIC Mobile.

Oct. 29, 6 – 8 p.m.

Thomas P. Ryan R-Center

Andy Rose 585-428-7828



Coming Soon! MBK Engagment Center:

Featuring Virtual Reality (VR) and Gaming to allow youth to to immerse themselves in a virtual world of state of the art technology like no other!

ECC Haunted House: Fright Night at the Rec. Bring the family down for a spooktacular walk through Edgerton R-Center house of terror.

Oct. 27, 28 & 29, 2021 6 – 8 p.m. Tickets \$4

Tickets sales Oct 11-22, 2021.

Edgerton R-Center

Tina Langston 585-428-6769

Harvest Fest Thanksgiving Dinner: Thanksgiving dinner for the community. Families are welcome.

Nov. 23, 6 – 8 p.m., Thomas P. Ryan R-Center

Andy Rose 585- 428-7828

Nov. 19, 6 – 8 p.m., Adams R-Center

Mike Georgetti 585-428-7266

Breakfast with Santa: Breakfast will be served to all participants after which kids between the ages of 5-12 will receive a present from Santa. Pre-registration is required to receive a gift.

Dec. 18, 6 – 8 p.m., Thomas P. Ryan R-Center

Andy Rose 585-428-7828

Holiday Brunch: Celebrate and enjoy a fun festive brunch with the Adams R-Center staff. Pre-registration is required.

Dec. 18, 12 – 2 p.m., Adams R-Center

Mike Georgetti 585-428-7266

Holiday Brunch: Celebrate and enjoy a fun festive brunch with the ECC R-Center staff. Pre-registration is required.

Dec. 30, 12 – 2 p.m., Edgerton R-Center

Tina Langston 585-428-6769



Rochester Animal Services

Rochester Animal Services is committed to serving people and animals to create safe neighborhoods. Support the human-animal bond and save and enhance lives. Although operation of the City's animal shelter is a core function of Animal Services, much of the work is related to activities and programs focused on keeping pets out of the shelter and with their families.

The Lost Pet Reunification program is aimed at reuniting lost pets with their people as soon as possible, often without requiring shelter intake. Animal Services Officers (ASOs) check for identification tags and scan for microchips, knock on doors, check lost pet reports, post found pet notices, and follow or walk pets home. Finders of lost pets that are healthy and friendly are encouraged to follow similar steps and create flyers, social media postings and use a pet facial recognition tool to help even more pets get home quickly. Learn more at Found A Pet. Visit cityofrochester.gov/FoundAPet

Through the Outreach and Pet Support Program, Animal Services team members share information, pet food and supplies, and a variety of services with pet owners to keep pets at home and out of the shelter system. The Shelter and Community Veterinary team provide vaccinations, outpatient treatment and some

emergency procedures. Additionally, the Pet Safety Net Program was established to provide temporary housing for pets of owners experiencing crisis.

Animal Services is actively recruiting foster caregivers and animal rescue organizations to expand its network of placement and diversion options as alternatives to shelter housing. Foster care volunteers provide daily care and socialization in their homes, which are safer, healthier environments for animals awaiting reunification or adoption and help to keep the shelter capacity low. Animal rescue organizations also rely on foster homes for housing animals in their care.

Animal Services offerings Self-Rehoming

Support: Animal Services offers Self-Rehoming Support using Home-to-Home (ras.home-home.org/) for circumstances when pet retention is not an option. This is an online platform that allows people interested in rehoming a pet to connect directly with people interested in adopting pets. The concept is designed to support pets in their homes with their loving owners until a new home can be secured and allows current owners to be directly involved in identifying a new home.

In addition to assisting pet owners with the rehoming process, Animal Services also provides a variety of services and supports for pet owners including pet food, supplies, vaccinations and spay or neuter to help prepare the pets for their new homes.



THE FAST & THE FURRIEST
5K & 10K Races, Dog Walk & Pet Fest
Rochester Animal Services, 184 Verona St.

Saturday, June 4, 2022

Hurting? In Crisis? Know Someone Who Is? The PIC Team provides a 24-hour, seven days-a-week alternative response to emergency calls for service that involve mental health, substance abuse and other related issues. Each response team will be comprised of behavioral health professionals, such as social workers and mental health counselors, and will be working in teams of two. Calls for the PIC Team can be placed through 211 and will be dispatched by the Emergency Communication Department to coordinate the response with other necessary agencies.



PUNCH 4 PEACE

Got a beef? Settle it in the boxing ring:

- Guns Down • No Phones • Referees
- No Social Media • No Spectators

This is part of a safe and sanctioned boxing program that includes learning how to box as a healthier way of dealing with conflict.

Trenton & Pamela Jackson R-Center

Questions? Call Robert Carlos: 585-450-1233



R-Center After Hours: The Roxie Sinkler R-Center at 75 Grover Street is the location for prevention based programming from 7 p.m. to 12 a.m., Monday - Saturday. Outreach Professionals will partner with the Recreation Team to staff and offer night basketball, e-sports/gaming and other activities targeting ages 16 - 25. Contact the Roxie Ann Sinkler R-Center at 585-428-7827.

Pathways to Peace is a street outreach team to safeguard the lives of Rochester's youth. Contact Pathways to Peace at 428-8822 to request street outreach in your local neighborhood or to refer a youth for support.



The Office of Neighborhood Safety is a unit within the City's Department of Recreation and Human Services created to establish and implement a community-based intervention and prevention strategy to combat and eliminate violence in the City of Rochester. Their mission is to foster a city-wide approach to reducing violence by serving as a central hub to coordinate the development of a community-wide Violence Reduction Strategy that will guide public and private sector investments in social programs including those administered Pathways to Peace; the ROC Against Gun Violence Coalition and the Youth Advocate Program.

The Office will be managed by the Office of Neighborhood Safety Coordinator, Dr. Kiah Nyame who develops, implements, and coordinates the Community-Wide Neighborhood Safety Plan under the direction of the Deputy Commissioner and

Commissioner of Recreation and Human Services. The Coordinator will also oversee the Mayor's Peacemaker Fellowship, which would identify city residents with a high likelihood of becoming victims of gun violence and enroll them as Fellows in a rigorous personal development program that includes mentorships, peer-to-peer learning to achieve education, career and other life goals. The Peacemaker Fellowship is based on a program in Richmond, California that contributed to significant reductions in homicides and gun violence. For more information or questions, call 585-428-7544.



City of Rochester Public Market
280 North Union Street
cityofrochester.gov/publicmarket
Facebook/Instagram:
@cityofrochesterpublicmarket



Regular Market days and hours:
Tue. & Thu., 6 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Sat., 6 a.m. – 3 p.m.



Community Garage Sales and Superfleas: Dozens of garage sales with bargains on everything from furniture to clothing; collectibles to jewelry; artwork to trinkets... all in one location! From spring through the Fall, stop by the Market on Sundays to join us for the largest community garage sales and superfleas!

2022 Dates: Sundays, April 24, May 1, June 12, 19 and 26, July 10, 17, 24 and 31, August 7, 14, 21 and 28, September 11 and 25, October 2, 9, 16 and 23

Time: 7 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Food Truck Rodeos: Food on four wheels featuring the community's creative mobile cuisine! Almost everything and anything that could be served from a truck can be found here! Also enjoy local music, dancing and entertainment. See you at the Rodeos!

2022 Dates: Last Wednesday of the month, May 25, June 29, July 27, August 31, September 28

Time: 5 – 9 p.m.

Flower City Days at The Market is a paradise for gardeners who want to cultivate gorgeous ornamental and/or veggie gardens, or just celebrate spring at the market! These legendary horticultural sales are Market and community favorites, full of annuals and perennials, hanging baskets, succulents, gardening accessories and much more!

Sundays, May 8, 15, 22, 29 and June 5

**Memorial Day Weekend: Friday, May 27
Monday, May 30 (Memorial Day)**

Time: 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Artist Row: Annual, juried art show hosted by the Friends of the Public Market. Over 200 up-and-coming artists present their wares for the public to purchase under the sheds of the beloved Rochester Public Market. Shoppers will also enjoy performances, live entertainment and fabulous community organizations.

Sunday, September 19, 2021, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Halloween Eve at the Market: Costumes, candy, and community! It's a bonus dress-up, trick-or-treat Halloween opportunity at the Public Market the Sunday before Halloween. Visitors will find the vendor sheds filled with dozens of community organizations and agencies that will host trick or treating and share valuable information about their programs and services!

Sunday, October 24, 2021, 4:30 – 7 p.m.

Holidays at the Market: A Rochester holiday tradition for over 25 years, Holidays at the Market features dozens of holiday-focused vendors (fresh-cut trees and wreaths, decorations, specialty foods and beverage products, hand craft items and more!) The Market will be decked out in holiday lights, festive music and have limitless local shopping and unique gift items. Enjoy visits with Santa, horse-drawn carriage rides around the Market, and a holiday-themed scavenger hunt!

**Sundays, November 28, December 5 and
December 12 from 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.**

***NEW: Special evening Holiday Market on
Thursday, December 16, 6 – 9 p.m.**

The International Plaza is an exciting Latin-themed event space and marketplace located at 828 North Clinton Ave. which features a variety of local vendors and farmers for fresh, unique food, produce, and merchandise. The International Plaza comes alive with performances, energizing music, group exercise classes, family activities and more! Affordable vendor opportunities are available. Follow the International Plaza on Instagram and Facebook for updates, events, news and more @TheInternationalPlazaROC or visit cityofrochester.gov/internationalplaza. Call 585-428-6907 or email PMarket@cityofrochester.gov for more information.

Regular Market Days, Thursdays, 5 – 8 p.m. • Sundays, 1 – 5 p.m.



Highlights



Flint St. Renaming: Mayor Lovely A. Warren on Friday, June 18, 2021 renamed the Flint Street R-Center at 271 Flint St. as The Honorable Willie Walker Lightfoot R-Center for Equity and Justice in honor of the late County Legislator and community activist.

"Willie W. Lightfoot was among the early Black leaders in Rochester who built the coalitions that demanded equity and justice in our community," said Mayor Warren. "It is my pleasure and my honor to name this building after him and give our children an opportunity to learn how he and others fought so tenaciously against the sinister forces of racism in Rochester. We must remember the names of men and women like Willie W. Lightfoot, whose shoulders we are standing on today."

The Flint Street R-Center was dedicated in his honor so those who gather there can learn from and preserve the examples he set.

Don Samuel Torres Park: Mayor Lovely A. Warren announced the completion of improvements made to Don Samuel Torres Park, 70 Oakman St. along N. Clinton Avenue. The project began in the summer of 2020 and was completed in the spring of 2021. A series of capital improvements were made to the basketball court, baseball field, playground, fitness equipment, landscaping, infrastructure and a newly built Dominoes tables.

Don Samuel Torres Park is home to the Rochester Hispanic Youth Baseball League which held their inaugural season in the summer of 1996. The league's mission is to enhance the lives of inner-city Hispanic youth and their families in the Rochester community through the game of baseball.



The City's new Office of Neighborhood Safety facilitated a Violence Prevention Summit on July 29 at the Floreano Riverside Convention Center. More than 150 attended the

free summit that was open to the public to provide residents and stakeholders with an opportunity to help the city develop a city-wide, community-based violence reduction strategy that includes public oversight, accountability and reporting.

The Summit featured a keynote address by DeVone Boggan, CEO of Advance Peace of Richmond, CA, who helped develop the Peacemaker Fellowship program (a mentor-and peer-based violence

interruption program that focuses on ending the cycle of retaliation that perpetuates gun violence in American cities) and a panel discussion moderated by Lynette Adams from WHEC-TV.

The panelists included Antoine Towers, Chairperson, Oakland Violence Prevention Coalition; Willie Lightfoot Sr., Vice-President Rochester City Council, co-founder of the Roc Against Gun Violence Coalition; and Aqeela Sherills, Newark, NJ Office of Violence Prevention. Attendees also had the opportunity to participate in group sessions as follows: Transformative Mentoring, presented by Khaalid Muttaqi, COO, Advance Peace; Measuring Outcomes in Violence Prevention, presented by Dr. Irshad Altheimer; and The State of Violence Interruption in Rochester, led by Melvin Cross.

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